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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON UNSC SOMALIA PIRACY RESOLUTION

REF: A. STATE 130496
[1](#)B. STATE 129941
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Classified By: Political M/C Alice G. Wells for reasons 1.4 (b/d).

[1](#)1. (C) We delivered ref A demarche on December 15 to MFA Department of International Organizations Senior Counselor Valentin Berezovski, who said that the GOR remained concerned about elements of OP4 of the draft UNSC resolution on Somali piracy, but had yet to determine a final position on the issue. The GOR looked forward to further discussion of the resolution at the December 15 experts meeting, during which it wanted to get a better sense of the concerns of other countries regarding the resolution. The GOR hoped that a consensus could be reached on the resolution in time for the UNSC Ministerial on December 16.

[1](#)2. (C) Berezovski said that the GOR had not yet formulated a position on the U.S. proposal to form a contact group to coordinate the international effort against Somali piracy, which was laid out in the non-paper we delivered to the MFA on December 11 (ref B). He reiterated that the GOR remained committed to combating Somali piracy, and wanted to find the right mechanisms for the international community to carry out this goal.

[1](#)3. (C) Berezovski complained about the bureaucratic wrangling within the MFA over which department had the lead on anti-piracy policy, telling us to deal with the IO Department and avoid the Legal Department, which, heretofore, had been our primary contact on piracy issues (ref C).
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